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POLYMER AND EXPANDABLE MICROSPHERES, AND METHOD

FOR FABRICATING THE SAME

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the initial examination of the above-identified application, applicants respectfully request that the application be amended as shown below.